STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE FIRST REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON COAL AND STEEL

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL AND MINES (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO): Sir, I am making this Statement on the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the First Report of Parliamentary Standing Committee on Coal and Steel in pursuance of Rule 266 of the Rules and Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Council of States, of the Hon. Chairman, Rajya Sabha, issued *vide* Rajya Sabha Parliamentary Bulletin-Part-ll, dated September 28,2004.

The Standing Committee on Coal and Steel had held its meeting on 16th July, 2004 to consider the Demands for Grants of Department of Coal for the year 2004-05. The Committee had also taken Oral Evidence of the officers of the Department of Coal on 10th August, 2004.

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE (West Bengal): Sir, I think the hon. Minister could lay the Statement on the Table. But I would like to make one point here. Last time, it was pointed out and the Food and Consumer Affairs have done it. It should be like this, in a tabulated form, where the recommendations are there, acceptance is mentioned, and also, items that are not accepted are there. Only then we could go through the statement and find out the details. One page-statement will not help. The status report should be made in the same way as it is made here. Such a report should be made available to the Members so that we can go through the status of items accepted.

MR. CHAIRMAN: We will think it over *...(interruptions)...*

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Yes, Sir. आप उसको लाइए ।...(**व्यवधान**).... अलग से lay कर दीजिए ।

श्री सभापति: यह पहली बार आरंभ कराया है । ...(**व्यवधान**)....

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Sir, one Minister has already done this.

श्री सभापति: यह काम पहली बार शुरू हुआ है, अभी शुरू हुआ है। There will be improvement, you can rest assured. *...(interruptions)...*

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Sir, this Ministry has already done it.

श्री सभापति: ठीक हैं, करूंगा ।

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Sir, this should be the standard format.

DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Sir, we will do that.

श्री दीपांकर मुखर्जी : हम appreciate करते हैं पहली बार हुआ था, तब हमने बोला था । Immediately, this Ministry has taken action and have made a status report available.

श्री सभापति: वह भी करेंगे । ठीक है ।

SHRI DIPANKAR MUKHERJEE: Unless the recommendations are there and the points which have not been accepted are there, it won't help. A one page-statement would not help.

श्री सभापति: ठीक है । I We would think it over.

DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Sir, we would also do that.

श्री सभापति : ठीक है ।

DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: The Committee, while examining the Demands for Grants of the Department of Coal with reference to the aims, objectives and achievements of the Department, presented its First Report of the Standing Committee.

In its Report, the Standing Committee, made 15 recommendations in all. The Action Taken Reports on these recommendations have been furnished to the committee *vide* this Department's O.Ms, dated 25th November, 2004 and 16th December, 2004. Appropriate action has been taken on the recommendations.

The Committee took the second Oral Evidence of the representatives of the Department of Coal on 15th October, 2004 to consider the replies furnished by the Department of Coal on the 17 observations made by the Committee during the Oral Evidence on 10th August 2004. The Committee has taken the third Oral Evidence on 16th December, 2004 and during the deliberations, the Committee selected three subjects for detailed examination. Assuracnes were given by the Department of Coal to the Committee on certain observations. Action has been initiated by the

Department on the assurances given to the Committee during the third Oral Evidence. Thereafter, sitting of Sub-Committee on Coal of the Standing Committee of Coal and Steel was held on 30th December, 2004 to discuss the subject "Manpower planning *vis-a-vis* utilisation of machinery in CIL outsourcing". The subject was further discussed in another sitting of t..e Sub-Committee on Coal of the Standing Committee on Coal and Steel on 7th January, 2005. In the said sitting, a "Power Point Presentation" was made to the Members of the Committee.

MESSAGE FROM LOK SABHA

THE PATENTS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2005

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Sir, have to report to the House the following message received from the Lok Sabha, signed by the Secretary-General of the Lok Sabha:-

> "In accordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to enclose the Patents (Amendment) Bill, 2005, as passed by Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 22nd March, 2005."

Sir, I lay a copy of the Bill on the Table.

MR. CHAIRMAN: The House is adjourned till 11.00 A.M. tomorrow.

The house then adjourned at twenty-five minutes past Seven of the clock till eleven of the clock on Wednesday, the 23rd March, 2005.